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The Hon. Commissioner of Patents

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Washington DC 20231 U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

September 13, 1999.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.56

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, the applicant hereby submits the information set out below which the Examiner may consider to be material to the examination of the application.

This statement is not intended to represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. Further, the undersigned has no specific knowledge of the effective dates for purposes of qualification as prior art of the cited references, copies enclosed. Consequently, the applicant reserves the right to contest the applicability of these references as prior art against the subject application should it be determined that they are not available as prior art.

Respectfully Submitted,

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